

## AMBROSE DUE TO TELL PROBES OF RECEIVERSHIP ROW

Attorney Who Managed Affairs of Co-operative Building Association to Testify Tomorrow.

His connection with the First Co-operative Building Association of Georgetown, of which he is now receiver, is expected to be related fully by Attorney William E. Ambrose when he takes the stand tomorrow morning before the Wright investigating committee. The hearing will open at 10 o'clock. From Attorney Wilton J. Lambert and Wharton E. Lester the committee heard yesterday the circumstances surrounding the appointment by Justice Gould of Frank P. Reeside, Lambert and Lester, the original receivers of the building concern. Evidence was also adduced to show that Justice Wright set aside the order of Justice Gould, and, in turn, appointed Ambrose to the receivership.

It is expected Mr. Ambrose will consume most of the day with his testimony. Attorney Lambert and Lester may be recalled for a brief examination.

**Corroborated Mr. Lambert.** Wharton E. Lester, an attorney and one of the receivers originally named by Justice Gould in the First Co-operative Building Association of Georgetown troubles, testified late yesterday. He was substantially in agreement with Mr. Lambert, who preceded him.

Mr. Lester related how the directors of the building association became uneasy over the actions of Secretary J. Barton Miller, who had declined to show the books. There was then pending, he said, one or more claims to which he was to make answer in court July 3, on behalf of the directors. Before this matter came up, he said, things reached such a state that the directors agreed with him that the company ought to be put into a receivership.

"We made every effort to find Justice Wright," said Mr. Lester, emphatically. "We could not locate him, and Mr. Lambert and I then ran around the streets of Washington in his automobile hunting Justice Gould. Justice Gould signed the receivership order, but we could not make the bond that day as Justice Gould was on the way to the country. We decided to keep everything quiet until next morning, when we intended to go into court, file the bond and hurry to Georgetown just as fast as possible."

Mr. Lester then detailed Justice Wright's indignation the next morning when he found that the attorneys had sought out Justice Gould instead of himself—Wright.

**Announced His Intention.** Mr. Lester said Justice Wright announced then that he would vacate the Gould order and set the hearing for the next day. Meantime, he said, a number of intervenors had come in and there was "an open field for receivers," on the day following, when Justice Wright, after hearing every one patiently, said he would name Ambrose as receiver.

"Justice Wright had insisted that the matter be put in the status it was before we saw Justice Gould," said Mr. Lester. "I did not recognize his power to vacate another justice's order, but I did know that he could remove the receivers, who were officers of the court, and the result would be the same."

Mr. Lester sought to impress the committee that Justice Wright was the main thing in his mind when the affairs of the company began to go wrong and that on the afternoon of July 8, 1908, he

was hunting either Justice Gould or Justice Wright and had no intention of sighting Justice Wright in any way. On the late cross-examination of Attorney Wilton J. Lambert, the witness and Mr. Darlington, representing Justice Wright, sparred for some minutes over the right of intervenors in the case similar to that of the Georgetown Building Association mix-up. Mr. Darlington insisted that the intervenors, who flocked into court as soon as the trouble became known, had a voice in the selection of receivers. But Mr. Lambert contended that they came into the case late, and that the original claimants were entitled to preference in the receivership selections.

**Not In the Case.** "Do you deny that Messrs. Dickey and Rideout as attorneys represented claims much greater than yours, and were to have a hearing on the 28th, any way?"

"I don't recollect that," said Mr. Lambert. "Are you and Justice Wright friends?" "Yes, we just didn't agree on this case."

As Mr. Lambert was excused Attorney Lester was called, and plunged energetically into a recital of the affairs of the building association and the receivership controversy.

**Didn't Justify His Talk.** "How did the justice justify his talk with you?"

"A justice don't have to justify his remarks to an attorney."

"Did he acknowledge that he received your phone message?"

"Yes, his order or messenger did that. The order said that Justice Wright said he was going away, and to let it go until tomorrow."

"Have you any knowledge that he knew what you wanted?"

"Not the slightest."

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"Taking up the cross-examination, Attorney Darlington asked about the volume of claims against the building association. Mr. Lester replied they were all held by shareholders."

"Was it not a fact that the original bill and the intervening bills were due to the neglect of your clients?"

"I don't recall that it was."

"Were your clients not officers of the company?"

"Not all. I had other clients."

"How many other clients were there?"

"Some forty or fifty. The directors had about \$50,000 stock and the balance of the clients carried the other stock."

"Mr. Lambert represented the shareholders with the largest amount of stock then?" asked Mr. Nelson.

"Yes, Lambert, as I understood it, represented Attorney McNamara's people."

**Darlington Puts Question.**

"How do you reconcile the statement that Mr. Lambert represented Mr. McNamara when Mr. McNamara got a

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rule in favor of his petitioner," asked Mr. Darlington.

"That's very likely. McNamara had to get a rule to appear officially in the case. Had I seen Mr. McNamara that morning I would have gotten him to go with me to get the receiver appointed, so important did I feel the case was. I figured that Mr. McNamara would be acting for Mr. Lambert as at that time, I believe, their offices were together or near the other."

"Did you make any effort to get Mr. McNamara on that morning?"

"No."

"He has a telephone, hasn't he?"

"I don't know."

Taking up an evening paper containing reference to the condition of the First Co-operative Building Association at the time the receivership was sought, Mr. Darlington asked the witness to affirm or deny some of the statements therein. Mr. Lester, differed with the story only slightly, bringing out the fact that he did not believe J. Barton Miller was ill.

**Quizzed About Bond.** Touching on the story telling of the issuance and subsequent setting aside of the order for a receivership, Mr. Darlington asked:

"When you got the order signed by Justice Gould you knew it would be ineffective without the bond?"

"Certainly. We endeavored only to avoid getting the matter settled in open court which would have resulted in word being sent to Miller, before we could arrive at Georgetown."

"On the next day in court did attorneys suggest other than yourself as receiver?"

"I did not stay. When the order was vacated by Justice Wright, I left, as my connection with the matter closed there."

"Do you think one justice cannot set aside an order another justice makes?"

"Certainly he can. But if one justice can undo what another justice has just done we will have chaos."

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"No. But I do know that on a writ of replevin an officer can go into a house and take whatever he chooses."

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**Aigrettes of Dead Are Seized at U. S. Customs**

NEW YORK, May 28.—That the customs laws do not differentiate between the living and the dead was the experience of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Havemeyer, who returned from Europe with the body of Mr. Emily de Looney.

In one of the trunks of the late Mrs. Havemeyer customs men discovered many expensive hats trimmed with aigrettes and other prohibited feathers, and seized them.

**Ewell Rites Saturday.**

Funeral services for James R. Ewell, who was accidentally killed by falling from a building at North Capitol and E streets, will be conducted from the residence, 1708 Fifteenth street northwest, at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Interment will be in Glenwood Cemetery.

## HEARNE AND HIS CAR HERE FOR THE RACES

Chicago's Speedy Automobile Driver Will Compete in Contests at Benning Saturday.

By HARRY WARD.

Eddie Hearne, the young Chicago millionaire racing driver, has arrived in Washington with his big car, and is tuning it up for the speed carnival at Benning Saturday. Hearne will drive in a number of the events, and will also endeavor to establish a new track record. His machine has a 250-horsepower motor, said to be the largest racing motor in the world. It holds four bench records.

Lou Heinemann, of Chicago; John Raimy, Fred Hovey, and Joe Cleary, racing stars who will drive here Saturday, expect to reach Washington late today and tomorrow, will prime their cars on the Benning track. In addition to these drivers, several motorists of this city with racing aspirations will take part in the events.

The program calls for eight automobile races and four motorcycle races. The racing will start promptly at 2 o'clock, the motorcycle events being run off first. The first automobile race will be limited to Washington drivers, and five nominations have been made for it. The winner will qualify for the free-for-all event. One of the races will be a novel event at three miles. Three of the big racing cars will go two laps, then stop in front of the grandstand and make a complete wheel change, and then run another lap. This event will illustrate to Washington racing "fans" how the mechanics handle tire changes on the cars during a big race when every second counts.

The motorcycle riders who will compete in the four events arranged for them include M. C. Greany, who won the Southern championship here on July 4, last. William Denham, Thomas Dodge, J. N. Hill, and W. Lewis.

Telegraph advices received in Washington today stated the Washington entry in the 500-mile race at Indianapolis Saturday made several laps in practice trials at the rate of 38 1/2 miles an hour. The car was driven by Mel Stricker, of this city. He is confident of qualifying for the event. Among these from this city who will witness the race are Irvin T. Donohoe, Stanley Horner, and Arthur Foraker.

## Obituaries

FRANCES E. CHASE, at Providence Hospital, yesterday.  
JAMES R. EWELL, at Casualty Hospital, May 28.  
ALPHONSE GIROUARD, at 115 Tenth street northeast, yesterday.  
BRIDGET KANE, at 42 Second street northeast, yesterday.  
SAMUEL F. McBRIDE, at 9 Seventh street southeast, yesterday.  
WILLIAM F. RICK, at Baltimore, yesterday.  
ANNA WEBB ROS, at her residence near Laurel, Md., yesterday.  
ELI SMITH, at George Washington Hospital, May 28.  
NANNIE TALLAFERRO WORTHINGTON, yesterday.

## Funerals

Frances E. Chase, at George P. Zurcher undertaking parlors, 301 East Capitol street, May 31. Interment at Colonial Beach, Va.  
Major John T. Clements, at 316 Mt. Pleasant street northwest, tomorrow at 10 a. m. Interment at Arlington Cemetery.  
Alphonse Girouard, at 115 Tenth street northeast, tomorrow at 2 p. m. Interment at Rock Creek Cemetery.  
Anna Webb Ros, at her residence near Laurel, Md., May 30 at 10:30 a. m. Interment at Green Mount Cemetery.  
Nannie Tallafarro Worthington, at Alexandria, Va., tomorrow at 11 a. m. Interment at Ivy Hill Cemetery.

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